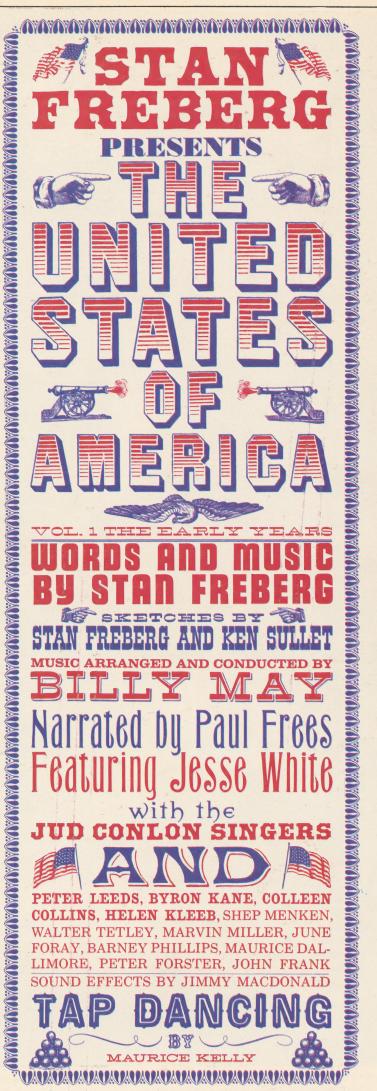


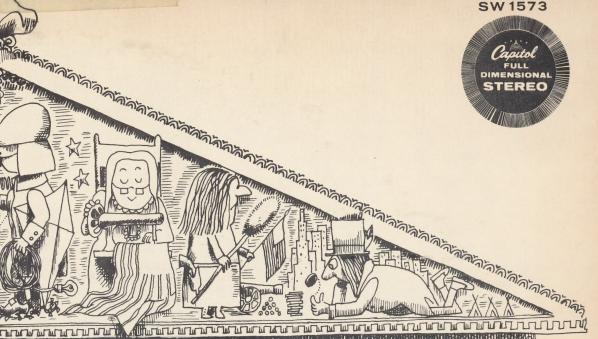
STEREO







A SATIRICAL REVUE ESPECIALLY CREATED FOR RECORDS



STAN FREBERG PRESENTS THE UNIED STATES OF AMERICA

N ORIGINAL MUSICAL REVIEW CREATED SPECIFICALLY FOR STEREO

As you listen to this album you'll soon begin to understand why Stan Freberg flunked American history in high school. (Alhambra, California, 1944.) For here the satirical genius of the somewhat irreverent Mr. Freberg sheds a hilarious new light on the pages which chronicle the saga of this great nation.

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Did you know (if we are to take Freberg's word for it) that the turkey was supposed to become our national bird, but was mistakenly substituted for roast eagle (with all the trimmings) at our first Thanksgiving dinner? Or can you imagine George Washington haggling over the price of a boat rental while his troops stand shivering along the icy banks of the Delaware? Well, it all happens right here as conceived in the whimsical mind of America's funniest historian.

But this Freberg's eye-view of early Americana is much more than just a mere "comedy recording." It is, in fact, a complete musical review, for in addition to its droll dialogue, the album contains a rousing score

written by Stan and brilliantly arranged by Billy May, and an all-star cast slightly larger than the Omaha branch of the D.A.R. Along the way Stan also manages to get in some pretty socially significant digs. In one skit, for example, a pilgrim sings a tune entitled "Take an Indian to Lunch This Week," while still another finds Ben Franklin

Recording Engineer: John Kraus

casting a suspicious glance at the Declaration of Independence and singing "A Man Can't Be Too Careful What He Signs These Days."

Stan has been doing historical satire for many years, and regular listeners to the 1957 Freberg CBS radio series will no doubt remember his riotous take-offs on such illustrious figures as Washington, Custer, Paul Revere, Betsy Ross, and Barbara Frietchie. Now he has expanded this idea into a full-length "history spectacular," and this album (sub-titled "The Early Years") is the first volume of a four-album series which could well be, according to Freberg, "The most significant contribution to American history since Grant took Custer."

Over the past decade, master-satirist Stan Freberg has been making quite a bit of history on his own, not only as a star of radio and TV, but as the man who actually pioneered the now-booming field of comedy recording. For it was the tremendous success of such Frebergian funnies as St. George and the Dragonet, The

Yellow Rose of Texas, and the controversial Yuletide classic Green Christmas which opened the floodgates for the current rash of hi-fi humor for the home. More recently he has extended his talents to the world of advertising, where he has been setting Madison Avenue on its grey flannel ear with his brilliant comedy commercials for both radio and T.V.

Album produced by KEN NELSON

side one: OVERTURE ● IT'S A ROUND, ROUND WORLD (Columbus discovers America) ● TAKE AN INDIAN TO LUNCH THIS WEEK (Pilgrims' Progress)

UNDER THE DOUBLE TURKEY (The Thanksgiving Story) ● TOP HAT, WHITE FEATHER, AND TAILS (The Sale of Manhattan)

THE BOSTON TEA PARTY. side two: A MAN CAN'T BE TOO CAREFUL WHAT HE SIGNS THESE DAYS (Declaration of Independence)

EVERYBODY WANTS TO BE AN ART DIRECTOR (Betsy Ross and the Flag) ● COMMAND DECISION (Washington Crosses the Delaware)

YANKEE DOODLE GO HOME (Spirit of '76) ● THE BATTLE OF YORKTOWN ● FINALE

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SW-1573 (SW1-1573)

SKETCHES BY STAN FREBERG AND KEN SULLET
Music arranged and conducted by Billy May
Featuring Jesse White
Narroted by Paul Frees
1. OVERTURE (2:18)
2. COLUMBUS DISCOVERS AMERICA (9:55)
3. PILGRIM'S PROGRESS (3:24)
4. THE THANKSGIMING STORY (1:12)
5. THE SALE OF MANHATTAN (5:55)
6. THE BOSTON TEA PARTY (1:44)
(ASCAP)

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1. DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE (6:27)
2. BETSY ROSS AND THE FLAG (2:58)
3. WASHINGTON CROSSES THE DELAWARE
(4:43)
4. YANKEE DOODLE GO HOME (4:04)
5. THE BATTLE OF YORK TOWN
(6:43)
6. FINALE
(ASCAP)